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Term 2-Week 6

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT Mr James Whitla

What a fantastic Education Week we have had here at Edithvale Primary School!

On Monday and Tuesday our students had a visit from Professor Maths where everyone had the opportunity to participate in some exciting and stimulating maths activities. Students explored each activity in small groups at their own pace and worked together, to solve each mathematical problem whilst having fun!

On Wednesday, everyone at Edithvale Primary experienced a different day of learning as all students participated in workshops designed to engage, stimulate creative juices and foster curiosity! Photography, Puppets, Collage Making, Cheerleading, Mindfulness, Matchstick Construction, Origami, Paper Plane Construction, Hieroglyphics, Drama, Coding, Animation, Baking, Science, Lego, Music, Golf and Movie Making were just some of the workshops on offer. It was an unparalleled success and a great way to celebrate the many skills and talents that abound in our wonderful school community.

We also held open mornings for our 2017 Foundation students where they had the opportunity to participate in language, maths and ICT activities with our fabulous teachers.

Last week our Year 3 and 5 students took part in the NAPLAN testing. The tests were held over three consecutive days in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions and Numeracy and students will receive their results towards the end of next term

A reminder again that next Friday 27 May is a <u>Student Free Day</u> as our dedicated staff undertake professional learning that looks at creating Curious and Creative Learners. This focus has come as a result of our involvement in the "Curiosity and Powerful Learning" project which

is the brain child of Wayne Craig - a former Regional Director and McREL International consultant - and is partly sponsored by the Myer foundation. Our staff, along with those from over 100 other schools across 4 networks throughout Victoria and Queensland, is working more closely with universities (Monash and Mitchell) to try to make system wide change to teaching practice. A focus of the day will include framing Higher Order Thinking Questions for Students and developing an Inquiry approach to learning and teaching.

Teachers are busy writing end of Semester 1 reports and these will be distributed on 19 June. In the last week of school, teachers will be available to discuss these reports with you in our Parent partnership meetings and there will be more information to follow about how you can book a time to discuss your child's progress.

Cheers and have a great fortnight.

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY Mr Andrew Schneider

What a great turn out we had this morning to recognise Walk Safely to School Day. Over 100 parents, students and teachers met at Edithvale Reserve and walked to school along Edithvale Rd. Students remembered to 'look right, look left, look right' while crossing the roads. Did you know that children under 10 must hold the hand of an older person when crossing a road? Walking to school is not only a great way to be active, it also eases traffic congestion around our school,

making it safer for our community and better for the environment. Thanks again to everybody who walked this morning.





SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S

REPORT Mr Steve Smith

At our recent School Council meeting held on 10 May we discussed some initiatives underway with the various sub-committees.

The Buildings & Grounds sub-committee has met to discuss the creation of a 'Master School Plan' which will include various projects the school will undertake over the next few years to transform some of the outdoor spaces around the school.

The Fundraising sub-committee is preparing for a fundraising BBQ on Election Day (Saturday 2 July). The School Hall will be a polling place for this election, with hopefully a lot of hungry voters.

We formalised a Fair sub-committee and are investigating possible dates for the School Fair in 2017. This sub-committee will meet over the next month to get this underway.

If you are interested in being involved in any of the sub-committees, or have any good ideas please come and see me or put in a note at the office.

For the remainder of the School Council meeting, we reviewed and approved the Standing Orders and Code of Conduct documents which are our guidelines to operate within for School Council meetings. Before the next council meeting we will review the following policies: Smoking, Anaphylaxis, Duty of Care, First Aid, and the Website policies. These policies will be tabled for ratification at the next council meeting on Tuesday 14 June.



| CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM TWO | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Mon 23 | Tue 24 | Thu 26 | Fri 27 | | | | |
| Nonie Hare | Nonie Hare Claire Stewart | | Curriculum Day | | | | |
| Mon 30 | Tue 31 | Thu 2 | Fri 3 | | | | |
| Monica Leo | | Tarsha Warren | Nicole Butcher | | | | |

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND [CSEF]

Parents are reminded that if you hold a valid means-tested concession card (including health care or pension card) or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for the CSEF.

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student misses out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. CSEF will be provided to eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. The annual CSEF amount per student is \$125 for primary school students

How to Apply: Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form. Complete the form and return it with a copy of your Health Care/Pension card. Applications close 3 June 2016.

Allocation of Funds: We will allocate your CSEF as it becomes available, to your most urgent outstanding compulsory charges (school camps, excursions, activities & sporting events and will then send you a statement, so you know exactly where the money has been allocated to.

CSEF can not be allocated to voluntary contributions.

CANTEEN Mrs Diane Cameron

Firstly, thanks to my parent helpers over the last fortnight and a big thanks to newcomer Dana who has helped out on a couple of extra days. Without these wonderful volunteers, the canteen would not run as smoothly as it does and the large amount of lunch orders, especially Friday's, would not be sent out on time (what is it about Friday's??)

On the last day of term the canteen's special lunch will be a Hot Dog Day. Order forms and Qkr will be available early June......not too far away.

Thank you to Leah for making some healthy treats for the canteen to sell the other week. I have the recipes and will sell them on Tuesdays.

Lastly a special mention to the year 6 students who help out in the canteen. Well done!

REMINDER

Please remember that French Avenue traffic becomes ONE WAY, entry from Edithvale Road only, from 8am until 9.30am and again at 2.30pm until 4pm. For the safety of all our students, families and visitors to our school PLEASE OBSERVE THE CHANGED CONDITIONS.

GARDEN CLUB

Remember to vote for EPS before Sunday.



VOTE HERE:

http://tinyurl.com/jfk69k4

EPS has an entry in the "Back to Earth Initiative" competition where we are in the running to win up \$5000 worth of assistance to transform our school environment!

We need the whole school community to go onto the web site, read about what we have proposed and vote for our project.

You can vote as many as times you like, but only once a day.

The closing date is Sunday 22 May



ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

A number of you have already shown your support by purchasing a 2016 | 2017 Entertainment Book or Digital Membership. With over \$20,000 worth of valuable offers, have you thought about buying a Membership for other family members or friends?

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EDI'S MATHS CORNER

Education week has certainly started off with a thrilling array of mind-boggling and mysterious maths puzzles. All students participated in our first ever Professor Maths incursion. During this session, students of all ages worked in groups to investigate and find solutions for a variety of problems that required spatial awareness, number knowledge and precision. There were super challenges that needed to be overcome, and if students were successful in doing so, they were then promoted to 'Professor' status and had to wear a crazy wig with a pair of trendy black glasses! It was great to see everyone having a go and working together during

each session.



PROFESSOR



LIBRARY

Calling all voulunteers!

As you know, our Library is partially run on volunteer love. We are asking if you can spare a morning to help out in the Library on Thursday 9 June from 9am onwards — as much or as little



time as you can spare! There are a number of smallish jobs that need to be done. Morning tea will be provided. Children are welcome, please bring a snack for them. If you can make it, please leave your name at the office.

ART NEWS Ms Jenny Lang

I am very excited to tell you about the Grade 5 and 6 students' project for a very special event called 'OUR SUNSET, MY WORLD'. The students have been learning about Cambodia and the work of this great organization called ODA (Opportunities for Development Thru Art) in Siem Reap. Their collaborative art work will be on display at Fed Square in July. When the sculpture is complete, (we are still working on a name) it will be on display in the office area for you to have a look at before the exhibition. Hope you can join us in celebrating this event in July.

OUR SUNSET, MY WORLD'

Victoria-Wide Exhibition of Student Art Federation Square July 23rd 2016

Dear Parents...

We are so excited that your child's school is participating in this very special Event. Let me share with you about this Exhibition and why it is such a special one. This is the first ever public 'Exhibition of Victorian Schools Art' for students from primary and secondary schools to be held at FEDERATION SQUARE. We will be using both the Atrium and The Edge Gallery. The Exhibition will form part of the Cambodia Australia New Zealand Friendship Festival. We are delighted to be working with this group with the shared vison ..to make a huge difference to Cambodia through Education (our Exhibition) and exploring opportunities for Trade and Tourism (the Festival).

The Exhibition now has over 100 schools participating. Your student's artwork is a gift to the children of Cambodia. All the student artwork will be silently auctioned on Saturday July 23rd at Federation Square. There will also be a LIVE AUCTION of a selection of paintings by the children from ODA and amazing photos from a student saved from the streets of Phnom Penh through FLAME CAMBODIA/Bong Paoun.

The theme of the Exhibition, 'Our Sunset, My World', is to inspire our children to appreciate and value the rich diversity of 'their' world appreciating how 'lucky 'and blessed they are to live in a country like Australia. The Exhibition will have the dual purpose of highlighting our children's art while raising awareness and funds for disadvantaged children in Cambodia, providing them with much needed opportunities for education and a future. We will be supporting two remarkable organizations: ODA (Opportunities for Development Thru Art) in Siem Reap and FLAME CAMBODIA/formerly known as the Bong Pouan Project in Phnom Penh. To read more see our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/haveaheartforcambodia.





There is NO charge to enter artwork or attend the Exhibition. The Exhibition will be open from 10.00am on SATURDAY JULY 23 2016. We will have an Official Opening at 3.00pm featuring performances and the LIVE Auctions.

Please support your school and this Event, raising funds for the disadvantaged children of Cambodia by joining us at Federation Square on SATURDAY JULY 23rd.

Kind regards

Julie Lach

<u>Director:</u> Have a Heart for Cambodia enquiries@haveaheartforcambodia.com

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Open Day

Our Family and Children's Centres open their doors on Saturday 28 May

Edithvale Family and Children's Centre 10am – 12 noon Parkdale Family and Children's Centre 12.30pm – 2.30pm

Come along on Saturday 28 May to check out Council's state of the art family and children's services at Edithvale and Parkdale.

Opened just last year, each centre offers full time and part time childcare, four year old sessional kindergarten, three year old sessional pre-kindergarten, and our Kindergarten PLUS program that delivers additional hours of learning and focuses on preparing your child for school.

Drop in and see for yourself why our centres have been independently assessed as being in the top 29% of services nationally.

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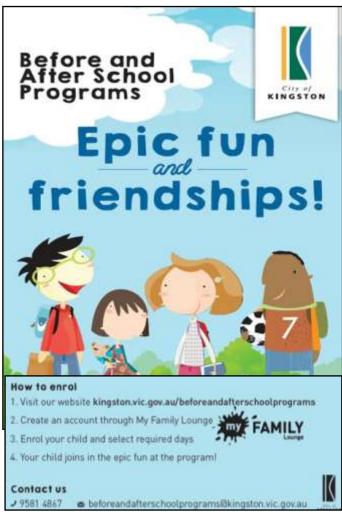
SAT 28 MAY

10am – 12 noon Edithvale Family and Children's Centre 122 Edithvale Rd Edithvale Next to the soccer ovals

SAT 28 MAY

12.30pm - 2,30pm Parkdale Family and Children's Centre 122 Warren Rd Parkdale Next to Parkdale Secondary College





KIDS RUNNING &FITNESS GROUP IN EDITHVALE

Where? Running track at Edithvale Recreational Reserve, Fraser St, Edithvale

When? Each Monday and Wednesday from 4.00pm-5.00pm. 52 weeks a year; both in school terms and school holidays.

I have been coaching school aged children for 25 years, and have a proven formula to ensure kids develop a love of running while also keeping fit. Many of these children have won state and national medals, even gone on to become senior internationals. However, I 'handicap' or group the children so that they can all succeed in their sessions. These running groups are perfect for children who want to:

prepare for school cross country, athletics events, fun runs, triathlons or Little As

improve speed, agility and fitness for other sports

learn correct running technique, breathing patterns and racing tactics

gain confidence

I have coached many runners at the International level (Olympics, Commonwealth Games, etc.), but my passion as a former primary school and PE teacher is instilling a love of an active life.

Call me, Sean Williams on 0412 206 821 or email me at



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| MARY SCHOOL—CALENDAR—TERM 2, 2016 | Week 11 20-24 Jun | | | | | Last day of Term 2 Assembly 2pm Early finish 2.30pm | |
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| | Week 10 13-17 Jun | Queen's Birthday No Students | School Council | Year 2 Wetlands Excursion | | | |
| | Week 9 6-10 Jun | | | Coach Approach | | Interschool sport Year 6 @ Seaford | |
| | Week 8 30 May-3 Jun | | Year 4 Camp | Year 4 Camp | Year 4 Camp | Interschool sport Year 6 @ Home | |
| | Week 7 23-27 May | | Birds of Prey Year 5/6 Incursion | | Moonlit Sanctuary Excursion Foundation Family Life Year 5-6 | Curriculum Day No students required at school | |
| | Week 6 16-20 May | Education Week Professor Maths | Professor Maths Foundation 2017 Open Learning Session 9.30- 10.30am | | Foundation 2017 Open Learning Session 9.30- 10.30am | District Cross Country | 22 May – Back to Earth Initiative Competition Voting Closes |
| | Week 5 9-13 May | | Naplan School Council | Naplan | Naplan | Interschool sport Year 6 @ Chelsea | |
| EDITHVALE PRIMARY | Week 4 2-6 May | | | | Mothers Day Stall Stall | Mothers Day Breakfast Interschool sport Year 6 @ Seaford | Mother's Day |
| EDIT | Week 3 25-29 Apr | Anzac Day No Students | | | | | Bunnings BBQ |
| | Week 2 18-22 Apr | Junior Mayor | School Council | | | | |
| | Week 1 11-15 Apr | Term 2 Starts | | | | | |
| | | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | WEEKEND |